

To the Planning and Development Committee-

I'm a life-long resident of Connecticut, and currently reside at 28 Grouse Hill Rd. in Glastonbury. I'm writing to urge your support for extending recreational liability protection to municipalities and other entities under the subject proposed bills.

As an avid mountain biker, hiker, and cross country skier, I treasure the availability of recreational opportunities in public open space. I'm concerned that gaps in the recreational liability statute and resulting awards will cause municipalities to limit or close open space to the public, and to forego further land acquisitions. As a taxpayer, I'm also concerned about the effect of damage awards on already over-burdened town budgets.

I also request that the list of examples of recreational purposes in the statute be expanded to include bicycling and mountain biking.

Sincerely,
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